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North Dakota Public Radio, UND Launch KFJM Local Broadcasts

North Dakota Public Radio and the University of North Dakota will host a kick-off event for KFJM radio on

Thursday, March 13, at 1:30 p.m. in the south end of Memorial Union Ballroom. The public is invited to attend as the station starts its local broadcasts again.

The kick-off is the result of an agreement between UND President Charles E. Kupchella and North Dakota Public Radio (NDPR) that allows NDPR to manage and operate UND's radio frequencies: KUND-FM (89.3), KFJM-FM (90.7) and KUND-AM (1370).

President Kupchella and Chair of the Prairie Public Broadcasting Board of Directors John Paulsen will launch the station, which will then resume 24-hour local broadcasts. The event will include an opportunity for the public to pledge their support and participate in the reopening of the stations.

Kupchella said the arrangement with North Dakota Public Radio is as an example of the kind of partnering that is crucial if the community and the state are to prosper and grow in difficult times. He encourages members of the community to attend and show their support for North Dakota Public Radio.

“Art & Science” Is Theme Of 34th Annual Writers Conference March 24-29

“Art & Science” is the theme of the 34th annual Writers Conference March 24-29. Speakers at this year's conference include an O'Henry award winner, a Lambda literary award winner and a Pulitzer Prize winner. All events are free and open to the public.

This year's guest speakers:

- Presidential Lecturer **Oliver Sacks** is a world-renowned neurologist, humanist and author. His works have been adapted into several formats: his best-selling “The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat” has been adapted into both a play and an opera, and the Penny Marshall film “Awakenings” is based on his work with the drug L-DOPA on postencephalitic patients in 1969. “Uncle Tungsten: Memories of a Chemical Boyhood,” his latest book, looks back at wartime London and his early passion for chemistry.
- **Thomas Disch**, an art critic for the Weekly Standard, has won both Hugo and Locus awards for his 1998 book “The Dreams Our Stuff is Made of: How Science Fiction Conquered the World” and was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award in Criticism for “The Castle of Indolence: American Poetry Today.” Disch has published major fiction, short stories, poetry, criticism, children's book, libretti, plays and interactive software.
- **Pattiann Rogers** is making her second appearance at the UND Writers Conference. Rogers has been widely praised as one of the best poets in America. Nobel Laureate for Chemistry Ronald Hoffman has said, “I've never seen nature observed as closely, nor transfigured by human language, as in Pattiann Rogers' poetry.” Rogers lives in Colorado with her husband, a retired geophysicist.
- **Julia Whitty** is active both as a writer and a documentarian. Her fiction and nonfiction works have appeared in Harper's Magazine, Story, Ploughshares and Zoetrope and have won several awards, including an O'Henry Award and Bernice Slote award for fiction. Whitty's documentary work for PBS, National Geographic, the Discovery Channel, BBC and A&E has also won many honors, including Emmy and Cable Ace awards. Her collection of short stories, “A Tortoise for the Queen of Tonga,” is Whitty's first book.
- **Rafael Campo**, an assistant professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School, has appeared on National Public Radio's “Morning Edition” and “Talk of the Nation.” His poetry, “The Other Man Was Me,” and memoir, “The Poetry of Healing: A Doctor's Education in Empathy, Identity, and Desire,” have both received Lambda literary awards. Campo's latest collection of poetry, “Landscape with Human Figure,” has recently been published by Duke University Press.
- **Devra Davis** is an internationally known epidemiologist now serving as visiting professor of public policy at Carnegie Mellon University's Heinz School and is also senior advisor to the World Health Organization. Davis' book, “When Smoke Ran Like Water,” was a finalist for a 2002 national book award. She has also held the

position of scholar in residence at the National Academy of Sciences.

- **Alison Hawthorne Deming** received the American Academy of Poets' Walt Whitman award for "Science and Other Poems." Other awards include creative nonfiction's Bayer award for science writing for her essay "Poetry and Science: A View from the Divide." Deming is currently director of the University of Arizona Poetry Center.

- **Natalie Angier** is the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of such works as "Woman: An Intimate Geography" and more recently, "The Beauty of the Beatly and Natural Obsessions," both of which were named New York Times notable books. Angier's "The Canon: What Scientists Wish that Everybody Knew About Science," will soon be published by Houghton Mifflin.

- **Ted Mooney** has received grants from both the Ingram-Merrill Foundation and the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation. Mooney has published three novels, "Easy Travel to Other Planets," "Traffic and Laughter," and "Singing into the Piano," and has had fiction published in Esquire, Granta and The New American Review. He is currently senior editor of Art in America.

Schedule of Events: Unless otherwise noted, all events will take place in the Memorial Union.

Monday, March 24: 5 p.m., new work by Grand Forks writers, Barnes & Noble Bookstore.

Tuesday, March 25: 8 p.m., Oliver Sacks, "Uncle Tungsten: Reflections on a Chemical Boyhood," Presidential Lecture, Chester Fritz Auditorium.

Wednesday, March 26: 10 a.m., student and public readings; noon panel, "Art & Science," Natalie Angier, Ted Mooney, Oliver Sacks, Julia Whitty, with Jeanne Anderegg, moderator; 4 p.m., Julia Whitty; 8 p.m., Natalie Angier.

Thursday, March 27: 10 a.m., student and public readings; noon panel, "Science Fact/Science Fiction," Natalie Angier, Devra Davis, Thomas Disch, Ted Mooney, Julia Whitty, with Al Fivizzani, moderator; 4 p.m., Ted Mooney; 8 p.m., Thomas Disch.

Friday, March 28: 10 a.m., student and public readings; noon panel, "Science as Cosmology," Alison Hawthorne Deming, Thomas Disch, Pattiann Rogers, with Martha Potvin, moderator; 2 p.m., alumni panel: "Is there life after my English major?"; 4 p.m., Alison Hawthorne Deming; 8 p.m., Pattiann Rogers.

Saturday, March 29: 10 a.m., student and public readings; noon panel, "Science & Poetry," Rafael Campo, Alison Hawthorne Deming, Pattiann Rogers, with Tami Carmichael, moderator; 2 p.m., Devra Davis; 8 p.m., Rafael Campo.

EVENTS TO NOTE

Graduate Committee Will Not Meet Monday

The graduate committee will not meet Monday, March 17. – Joseph Benoit, Dean, Graduate School.

Leadership Workshop Series Continues

The Leadership Workshop Series presentation at 3 p.m. Monday, March 24, is "Personal Mission and Vision Statement" by Craig Knudsvig in the River Valley Room, second floor, Memorial Union. This workshop is free and open to the entire community and is sponsored by the Memorial Union. For more information, call 777-3928 or e-mail leadership@und.nodak.edu.

– Memorial Union.

CRC Announces UND's First Peer Mediators' / Reception

Through the support of Student Government, University fees, and the President's office, UND's first peer mediation project will allow student mediators to serve as spokespersons for the Conflict Resolution Center, mediate conflicts among peers, and improve campus climate. Twenty students representing many aspects of UND's diversity, in both culture and age, participated in extensive training in January and are ready to serve the UND community.

A reception honoring these new mediators and the faculty/staff Peer Mediation Advisory Council will be held at the International Centre, 2908 University Ave., Wednesday, March 26, from 5 to 7 p.m.

The peer mediation pilot project began the 2002-2003 school year with a goal: that student interest and involvement will help the pilot project evolve into a permanent fixture of UND and the Conflict Resolution Center. All students are encouraged to make use of these skillfully trained peer mediators to assist in conflicts involving relationships, friends, roommates and work groups, and to ultimately improve interpersonal relationships and campus climate by utilizing better communication and conflict resolution skills in all interactions on- and off-campus. Mediation services to UND students are free of charge.

You can reach the peer mediators through the Conflict Resolution Center by calling 777-3664, stopping by the Center at 314 Cambridge St., or e-mailing sarah.bernhardt@und.nodak.edu for more information about the service. You can also visit the center's web site at www.conflictresolution.und.edu.

– Conflict Resolution Center.

Everclear Will Rock The Ralph At Spring Concert

Everclear will kick off their spring tour at the Ralph Engelstad Arena Saturday, March 29, at 7:30 p.m. An opening act will be announced later. This is the second year that the University Program Council spring concert will be held at the Ralph. Last year's concert featured the band Sugar Ray and had more than 6,000 in attendance.

UND students may pick up tickets at the Ralph Engelstad Arena ticket office free of charge. Tickets for non-UND students are available at the box office, by calling Ticketmaster at (701) 772-5151, or online at ticketmaster.com. Ticket price is \$22.50 and all tickets are general admission.

Everclear consists of Art Alexakis (vocals, guitar), Craig Montoya (bass, vocals), and Greg Eklund (drums, vocals). The band's debut album was *World of Noise* in 1993, but it wasn't until 1995, when they released *Sparkle and Fade* that the band captured commercial success with the hit single "Santa Monica." Everclear has been compared to bands such as Nirvana and Filter, and have toured the United States extensively for the past eight years. Everclear has released five albums with Capitol Records and released their sixth *Slow Motion Day Dream*, March 11.

– Ralph Engelstad Arena.

Agenda Items Due For April 3 U Senate Meeting

The University Senate will meet Thursday, April 3, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Agenda items for this meeting are due in the registrar's office by noon Thursday, March 20. It is recommended that some detail be included in the agenda items submitted.

– Nancy Krogh (Registrar), Secretary, University Senate

IRB Meeting Is April 4

The Institutional Review Board will meet at 3 p.m. Friday, April 4, in 305 Twamley Hall, to consider all research

proposals submitted to the Office of Research and Program Development before Tuesday, March 25. Proposals received later will be considered only if a quorum has reviewed them and time permits.

Clinical medical projects must be reviewed by the clinical medical subcommittee before being brought to the full board. Proposals for these projects are due in ORPD Tuesday, March 18.

Notes from the meeting will be available in ORPD approximately one week after the meeting.

– John Madden (Communication Sciences and Disorders), Chair, Institutional Review Board.

Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Celebration Set For April 4

The sixth annual Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Celebration will be held Friday, April 4, at the North Dakota Museum of Art. You are invited to a reception from 3 to 3:30 p.m. with an awards program beginning at 3:30 p.m. Chief M.Sgt. Victor Rountree from the Grand Forks Air Force Base will reenact Dr. King's famous speeches, and eight awards will be presented. April 4 is the 35th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. King.

– Dawn Botsford, Special Events Coordinator, Vice President for Student and Outreach Services Office.

Pow Wow Set For April 26 At NDSU

The Woodlands and High Plains Pow Wow will be held Saturday, April 26, at the Bison Sports Arena, NDSU. The one-day pow wow will be "traditional," meaning that the emphasis will be on celebration rather than competition. The event is expected to attract spectators, dancers, and drum groups from throughout the Midwest.

Last year the spring pow wow was one of the best-attended cultural events in the Fargo-Moorhead area, with an estimated 2,500 people filling an auditorium to see about 200 dancers dressed in colorful and authentic regalia.

The pow wow is sponsored by Concordia College, Minnesota State University Moorhead, and North Dakota State University. Grand entries are scheduled at 1 and 7 p.m. Admission is \$2 per person, children under 6 are admitted free.

For more information about the pow wow, contact Sharon Eagleman, Concordia College (218) 299-4171; Gus Claymore or Jody Steile, Minnesota State University Moorhead, (218) 236-2652; or Paul Boswell, NDSU, (701) 231-7314.

– Jan Orvik, Editor, for NDSU.

Proposals Sought For "Kids At Risk" Conference

The Dakota Boys Ranch, Child Welfare League of America and the North Dakota Department of Human Services are proud to present the first-ever "Kids at Risk in Rural America" conference Sept. 8-10 in Minot. This conference seeks to educate professionals from all disciplines in innovative practices dealing with youth at risk in rural America. The planning committee is currently accepting proposals for presentations in the following areas: children's mental health, alcohol and drug prevention and treatment, child protection, foster care, trauma and violence, financing strategies and cost-effective programs, under-served youth, and many other topics related to at-risk youth in rural areas.

On behalf of the planning committee, I strongly encourage you and your colleagues to share your expertise with other professionals and submit a proposal by Friday, March 28. Please visit www.conted.und.edu/kidsatrisk for more detailed information on the schedule, session formats, and proposal guidelines.

Please help spread the word. Pass this message along to others who may be interested in presenting at the conference. Together we can make a difference in the lives of our youth!

– Jennifer Raymond, Coordinator, Conference Services, Division of Continuing Education.

UND Colloquium On Teaching Set

The deadline is approaching for your opportunity to share your innovative teaching ideas with UND colleagues! The Office of Instructional Development and the Bush Foundation are sponsoring an all-campus colloquium on university teaching, to be held Sept. 19 at the UND Memorial Union. The colloquium will provide an opportunity for faculty to engage in discussion about the scholarship of teaching and learning at UND. The featured keynote speaker will be Dr. Thomas Angelo, author, speaker and professor of education at the University of Akron, known especially for his work with classroom assessment techniques. Other events include panel sessions that will present the activities and accomplishments of UND faculty and programs funded by the Bush grant (2000-2003), and concurrent sessions that will highlight faculty scholarship around teaching from across campus.

We invite proposals for the concurrent sessions, each of which will be 75 minutes in length. Sessions may include panel discussions, forums, workshops, round tables, posters, or individual presentations. Presenters might want to propose a topic and format for an entire session, a 20-minute presentation within a session, a poster, or perhaps an idea for a theme or issue that could be developed into a panel with the assistance of the colloquium organizers.

Appropriate topics for any of the above session formats might include, for example: innovative teaching approaches (e.g., experiential/service learning, active learning, problem or case-based learning); assessment of student learning in courses; the journey to effective assessment of programs; classroom research; engaging and motivating students; the purpose and nature of a university education; innovative curricular design (e.g., interdisciplinary collaboration), etc.

Please submit proposals by March 31, 2003. Proposals should include name(s) and titles of presenters, department/unit, telephone and e-mail address, presentation title, a 1-2 paragraph description of presentation (including structure, objectives, content, etc.), A/V equipment requirements, and whether you have a preferred presentation time Sept. 19 (10:30-11:45, 1:30-2:45, or either).

Notification of proposal acceptance will be provided by April 30, 2003. For further information, please contact Libby Rankin, Office of Instructional Development, 7-4233, libby_rankin@und.nodak.edu, or Melinda Leach, Anthropology, 7-3697, melinda_leach@und.nodak.edu.

Proposals Sought For Second Annual “Beyond Boundaries” Conference

The office of conference services is accepting proposals for presentations at the second annual “Beyond Boundaries: Integrating Technology into Teaching and Learning” conference to be held Thursday and Friday, Oct. 23 and 24, at the Memorial Union.

The planning committee is seeking proposals for concurrent sessions and “technology tidbits,” a five-minute showcase featuring the latest technology used in classrooms. All proposals must be submitted online and are due by March 28. Accepted presenters will receive discounted registration for the conference.

“Beyond Boundaries” is a forum for educators and students to discuss the uses and impacts of technology in education. The conference is divided into three sessions: Effective Integration of Technology into Teaching and Learning, Technology Tools for E-Learning, and Student Services and Support for E-Learning.

For more information, go to www.beyondboundaries.info or contact the Office of Conference Services at 777-2663, (800) 342-8230, or conferences@mail.und.nodak.edu.

– Conference Services, Continuing Education.

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Fall, Summer Course Listings Available Online

The time schedule of classes for summer and fall 2003 are now available online at www.und.edu. Students may now find out their date and time of registration by going to web ALFI at www.und.edu/dept/registrar or by calling phone ALFI at 777-3693.

The printed version of the 2003 summer and fall time schedules used by departments for advising purposes will be available for pickup in the reception area of the office of the registrar beginning Friday, March 21, at 8 a.m.

The last day to drop a full term class or withdraw from school for the spring (033) semester is Friday, April 4. Students will have to fill out a "Registration Action Card" or a "Withdrawal" form at the registrar's office, second floor, Twamley Hall.

If you have questions, please call 777-2712. – Mike Cogan, Associate Registrar.

Registration Dates, Times Available On ALFI

Student registration dates and times are now available on phone ALFI by calling 777-3693 or at web ALFI, www.und.edu/dept/registrar. Registration via ALFI for the 2003 summer term will begin Monday, April 7, and run through Wednesday, May 21; registration for the fall term will begin April 7 and run through Thursday, Sept. 4. Students may register and drop/add classes by calling phone ALFI at 777-3693 or by going to web ALFI at www.und.edu/dept/registrar on or after their appointed times. Students who have proper signatures for registration actions not permitted by ALFI may add these courses at the registrar's office during normal office hours on or after their assigned registration time.

– Mike Cogan, Associate Registrar.

Fulbright Program Offers Grants For Faculty And Professionals

The Fulbright Scholar Program is offering lecturing/research awards in some 140 countries for the 2004-2005 academic year. Opportunities are available for University faculty, university administrators, and others. Traditional Fulbright awards are available from two months to an academic year or longer. A new short-term grant, the Fulbright senior specialists program, offers two-to-six-week grants in a variety of disciplines and fields. While foreign language skills are needed in some countries, most Fulbright lecturing assignments are in English. Some 80 percent of the awards are for lecturing.

Application deadlines for 2004-2005 awards are: Thursday, May 1, Fulbright distinguished chair awards in Europe, Canada, and Russia; Friday, Aug. 1, Fulbright traditional lecturing and research grants worldwide; rolling deadline for Fulbright senior specialists program.

For information, contact the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) at 3007 Tilden Street NW, Suite 5L, Washington, DC 20008-3009. Telephone: (202) 686-7877; e-mail: apprequest@cies.iie.org. Information and an online application are also available online at <http://www.cies.org>.

The Fulbright scholar program is sponsored by the United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Your campus representative for the program is Will Young at 777-3935.

– William Young, Associate Director of International Programs.

Faculty Survey To Assess Campus Climate

All faculty should have received a survey of academic climate and activities. The results of the survey will be used to better understand and address issues facing faculty at UND. The survey was developed by Kimberly

Porter, an associate professor of history and a PAC-W administrative intern in the College of Arts and Sciences. It was modeled after a survey used successfully at the University of Michigan.

I would like to emphasize the importance of getting a high percentage of surveys returned and encourage you to take the time to fill it out. Faculty are often the only people who can make conditions on the personal and departmental level known. For UND to become a better place, the insight and experiences (read responses) of a representative cross section of faculty are crucial to the process. The opportunity to gather comparative data on campus climate from faculty across the institution is timely and consistent with the UND strategic plan.

The results of the survey will be shared with the campus community and may be used as baseline institutional data in grant requests to improve campus climate. The deadline for returning surveys is Monday, March 3

Please Fill Out ITSS Survey

UND Information Technology Systems and Services is conducting a short online survey to gather information from UND faculty concerning your computer and technology needs, and how we can improve our services to you. This information will be used to assess the feasibility of a student technology assistant program at UND, and will only take two to three minutes. Point your browser to <http://www.und.nodak.edu/dept/itss/survey/employeesurvey.html> to access the survey. If you have any questions regarding this survey, please contact craig.cerkowniak@mail.und.nodak.edu or 777-2385. ITSS appreciates your input and thanks you for your time.

-- ITSS.

Nominations Sought For UND Proud, Meritorious Service Awards

The University will present meritorious service awards of \$1,000 each to 10 UND staff employees. In addition, the Ken and Toby Baker UND Proud award with \$1,000 will be presented.

The meritorious service awards will be given to employees in major groups. These groups and the number of awards presented are: executive/administrative/professional (3); technical/paraprofessional (1); office (3); crafts/trades (1); and services (2). The Ken and Toby Baker UND Proud award may be given to an employee from any of the groups.

Eligible employees are those employed on a regular basis who are not in a probationary period. Those not eligible for consideration include the president, vice presidents, deans, associate and assistant deans, teaching and research faculty, the director of human resources, and award winners from the previous seven years.

All members of the University community are encouraged to nominate eligible employees for the awards and completing the nomination forms by Monday, April 14. Nomination forms are available from human resources, 313 Twamley Hall, or electronically from the human resources web site at www.humanresources.und.edu/Forms/forms.html.

The awards will be presented during the annual recognition ceremony for staff personnel, Tuesday, May 13.

Please direct any questions concerning this program to the human resources office at 777-4361 or human.resources@mail.und.nodak.edu.

– Diane Nelson, Director, Office of Human Resources.

Legislative Update

Following are some highlights of the March 3-7 legislative proceedings regarding higher education, courtesy of the North Dakota University System.

Senate Passes Scholars Program Bill

HB1125 was heard in the senate education committee and reported to the senate with a “do pass” recommendation. The senate passed the bill on a vote of 46-0.

HB1125, submitted by the Board of Higher Education, will allow the awarding cycle of the North Dakota scholar’s program to begin in February, rather than October, and will provide an additional stipend of up to \$2,000 per student if needed to attract students to the program. Since the senate passed the bill without additional amendments, HB1125 now goes to Gov. Hoeven for his signature.

Senate Defeats State Grant Increase

HB1126, a bill that would have allowed an increase in the state grant maximum from \$600 to \$1,000, was heard in the senate education committee and reported back to the Senate with a “do not pass” recommendation. The bill failed in the senate on a vote of 0-46.

The senate education committee was concerned that about 1,000 fewer students would receive grants if the new maximum was implemented, even though those who have the highest unmet need would receive an additional \$400. HB1126 was introduced by the Board of Higher Education.

SB2042 Fails in the House

SB2042, a bill that would limit private use of telecommunications and videoconferencing facilities, was heard in the house education committee, was reported back “do not pass,” and failed in the house March 5 on a vote of 5-86.

The SBHE opposed a provision in the amended bill that would have restricted the University System’s ability to make IVN available to other educational and nonprofit users.

Senate Passes Summer Room and Board Fees

On March 6, the senate passed HB1124, a bill to permit the charging of room and board fees for summer programs on college campuses if high school credit is awarded. As amended by the house, the bill provides for the waiver of these fees if parents can’t afford to pay them. Since the senate passed the bill without additional amendments, HB1124 now goes to Gov. Hoeven for his signature.

Committee Votes “Do Not Pass” on Preferential Treatment Resolution

HCR3067, the preferential treatment resolution, was heard in the joint constitutional revision committee, which voted “do not pass.” This proposed constitutional amendment would “provide that the state may not discriminate against or grant preferential treatment to any individual on the basis of sex, race, color, ethnicity or national origin in public employment, public education or public contracting.”

The SBHE had not yet taken a position on HCR3067, but it opposed a similar bill in the 2001 legislative session because of concerns about its impact on Native American scholarships and tuition waivers for international and Native American students, as well as other affirmative action programs.

Senate Transportation Hears Motor Pool Exemption Bill

HB1405, a bill that would allow state agencies to request exemption of some vehicles from the state motor pool, was heard in the senate transportation committee.

State Fleet Services and the NDUS office testified in opposition to the bill. Both are concerned about the impact of exempting certain vehicles from the fleet on the usage rate charged for the remaining fleet vehicles.

Competitive Bid Bill Heard

HB1180, a bill that deals with the goods and services purchasing process, was heard in the senate government and veterans affairs committee.

OMB’s state procurement office offered a comprehensive set of amendments, one of which would exempt higher education from the bill. The NDUS office testified in support of the amendment since it would allow the University System to continue operating under its own purchasing policies; this is consistent with other state statutes which provide the SBHE the authority to set purchasing policies for NDUS campuses and entities.

SB2109 Heard in House Education

SB2109, a bill that would remove the requirement for colleges to raise at least 50 percent of their budgeted local funds before state workforce training funds could be accessed, was heard in the House Education Committee and sent to the Senate with a “do pass” recommendation.

Dale Anderson, president of GNDA, provided testimony on behalf of Guy Moos, steering committee chair of the Task Force for Improving Workforce Development and Training. BSC President Donna Thigpen, WSC President Joe McCann and LRSC President Sharon Etemad also spoke in support of this bill. SB2109 was introduced by the State Board of Higher Education.

Wind Energy Bill Heard in Senate Natural Resources Committee HB1378, a bill that would mandate an NDUS study of wind energy, was heard in the senate natural resources committee. The NDUS supported an amendment offered by bill sponsor Rep. Monson urging the study, rather than mandating it, given the lack of an appropriation and the long-term nature of the problem.

The committee voted to support the amendment and recommended “do pass” on the bill.

For more information, visit www.ndus.edu and click on “Reports and Info.”

– Jan Orvik, Editor, with information from the North Dakota University System.

Exchange Service Vehicle Placards For Hang Tags

The traffic office now has service vehicle hand tags, which will replace the placards currently in use. You will receive a call from our office asking you to exchange your current red or green plastic service vehicle placard for a hang tag at no charge. The current red and green placards will not be valid after April 1. You will be asked to fill out an application form when you exchange your placard. If yours is a new request, the fee is a one time charge of \$36. With these new hang tags, we hope to be able to better serve everyone’s needs. They simply hang from the mirror along with any current UND permit. They have expiration dates and will be renewed each year to allow for better inventory. Call our office at 777-3551 if you have any questions. Thank you.

– Sherry Kapella, Traffic Office.

Twamley Snack Bar Will Have Limited Space For Dining

The dining room of the Twamley Snack Bar will be closed during Spring Break, March 18-21, for remodeling. The snack bar will remain open. We appreciate your patience.

– Tammy Keiser, Manager, Twamley Snack Bar.

Submit 2002 FlexComp Claims By March 26

If you have money remaining in your FlexComp medical spending account and/or dependent care spending account for the plan year ending Dec. 31, 2002, you have until March 31, 2003, (90 day IRS regulation) to submit any claims incurred in the 2002 plan year (January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002). After that time, any remaining balances will be forfeited.

Vouchers should be received in the payroll office no later than Wednesday, March 26, for adequate processing time.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to call me.

– Heidi Strande, Payroll Office, 777-4423.

War Protests, Computer Hacking On Next Edition Of Studio One

This week, the Studio One news team explores differing opinions about the possibility of the U.S. going to war. We will hear opinions of both protestors and those who support President Bush and his policy on Iraq. In a related story, we'll talk to members of the Army National Guard who will soon leave for the Middle East.

Also, John Wold, computer security administrator, will discuss computer hacking. Hackers can delete vital files, send viruses that attack your computer, and violate your privacy. We'll learn tips to keep computers safe from hackers.

Studio One is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center. The program airs live at 5 p.m. on UND Cable Channel 3 on Thursdays. Rebroadcasts can be seen at noon, 7, and 11 p.m. daily and on Saturdays at 10 a.m. Prairie Public Television airs Studio One on Saturday at 6 a.m. The program can also be seen in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan, Minot, Minneapolis, the Portland, Ore., metro area, and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

– Jamie Hendrickson, UND Studio One Marketing Team.

Practice Your Spanish At The “Spanish Table”

The Spanish Table invites you (students, faculty, staff, community members) to practice your Spanish in an informal atmosphere on Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. at the Blue Moose. We will meet there through February and March, except March 18. For further information please contact me.

– Claudia Routon, 777-4660 or claudia_routon@und.nodak.edu.

Children Needed As Research Participants

Tom Petros (psychology) is seeking to recruit children between 7 and 12 years of age to participate in a study of the effect of time of day on tests of planning, problem solving, and sustained attention. The study takes 60-90 minutes to complete. The testing will occur from 8 to 10 a.m. or 3 to 5 p.m., on weekends or after school, or on school holidays. Your child will be asked to take a short vocabulary test, and be asked to solve problems and participate in a test of sustained attention on a personal computer. You as the parent will be asked to complete several short questionnaires about your child's typical behavior, eating patterns and sleeping patterns. Your child will be paid \$10 for their participation in the study. The scores from your child's testing will be completely confidential and will not be associated with your child's name. Children who participate must not be taking any medication, except that for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). If you and your child are interested in scheduling a time to participate or in finding out more about the study, please call me.

– Tom Petros, Professor of Psychology, 777-3260.

U2 Workshops Listed For March 31 Through April 4

Below are University within the University workshops for the week of March 31 through April 4. Visit our web site for additional workshops in March, April and May.

Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by phone, 777-2128; e-mail, U2@mail.und.nodak.edu; or online at www.conted.und.edu/U2. Please include: workshop title and date, name, department, position, box number, phone number, e-mail address, and how you first learn about this workshop. Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.

Excel XP, Beginning: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, March 31, April 2 and 4 (nine hours total), 361 Upson II (12 seats maximum). Introduces Excel basics, edit worksheets, perform calculations, format worksheets, work with multiple worksheets, create and modify charts, set display and print options. Jim Malins, ITSS.

Records Management 101: Tuesday, April 1, 9 to 11 a.m., Room 10-12, Swanson Hall (space is limited to 20).

Do you feel overwhelmed by the amount of records around you? Can you find the information you need to do your job effectively? Do you have records that are from the prehistoric ages, and do you want to get rid of them (legally)? If you answered yes to any of these questions, come to this hands-on workshop to learn practical tips that you can start using today. Presenter: Sara Bolken, UND records manager, office of general legal counsel.

New!! The Basics of IRB Review: Tuesday, April 1, 12:30 to 4 p.m., Room 16-18, Swanson Hall (space is limited). All researchers planning to conduct human subject research are required to complete training. The workshop covers research ethics, federal regulations, and UND policies regarding human subject research. It will also review the Institutional Review Board (IRB) forms and procedures. The workshop will include two case studies, a quiz, with time for questions. Presenter: Cindy Rerick, office of research and program development.

Access XP, Beginning: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 1, 2 and 3, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. (nine hours total), 361 Upson II (12 seats maximum). Introduces Access and relational databases. Create a database, work with tables, queries, forms, reports, and establish relationships. Presenter: James Malins, ITSS.

Annual Reporting Update: Thursday, April 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m., 361 Upson II (approximately 12-14 seats). This is a workshop to familiarize campus units with the NEW web application for submitting annual reports via the web, as well as previewing and printing the report. Presenters: Carol Drechsel and Carmen Williams, institutional research.

What Every Employee Should Know About Workers Compensation: Thursday, April 3, 1 to 2:30 p.m., 211 Rural Technology Center. This class is designed to create a better understanding of the purpose of the North Dakota Workers Compensation Bureau. The process of filing a claim will be reviewed. Concepts such as work restrictions, claims management, compensability, and communication between all parties will be included. Time will be allotted for questions. Presenter: Claire Moen, sponsored by safety and environmental health.

New!! Creative Desktop Publishing with PageMaker: Fridays, April 4 and 11, 9 a.m. to noon (six hours total), 235 Starcher Hall (space is limited). Fee is \$60 (compared to \$170 off-campus). Gain knowledge in the use of PageMaker 6.5 to create visually appealing posters, flyers, newsletters and more. Learn this popular desktop publishing technology using a hands-on approach. Participants: please bring project ideas to complete. Presenter: Lynda Kenney, industrial technology.

– Sarah Bloch, Program Assistant, University Within the University.

PERC Lists Classes

The Parent Education Resource Center (PERC), 500 Stanford Road, offers the following programs. Call 795-2765 to register or for more information. Child care offered for all daytime programs; all classes are held at PERC unless otherwise noted.

Parent study group, “Parenting Preschoolers,” Wednesdays, March 5, 12, 26, April 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Video presentation, “Siblings: Why Do They Fight? What Can We Do About It?” Thursday, March 13, 9:30 a.m.

Parent study group, “Good Discipline . . . Good Kids,” Thursdays, March 13 and 27, 7 p.m.

Seminar, “They’re All Grown Up – But I’m Still a Parent,” Monday, March 17, 7 p.m.

Five-week book club, “The Five Love Languages of Children” by Gary Chapman and Ross Campbell, Tuesdays, March 18, 25, April 1, 8 and 15.

Seminar, “Media Blitz! Media Literacy for the Family,” Tuesday, March 18, 9:30 a.m.

Seminar, “Am I an Overindulgent Parent?” Tuesday, March 25, 9:30 a.m.

Seminar, "Stepfamily Living . . . Taking It One Step at a Time," Tuesday, March 25, 7 p.m.

Seminar, "Establishing Authority as a Parent," Wednesday, March 26, 7 p.m.

-- Jan Orvik, Editor, for the Parent Education Resource Center.

GRANTS & RESEARCH

Research, Grant Opportunities Listed

Following are research and grant opportunities. For additional information, contact the Office of Research and Program Development at 777-4278 or shirley_griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu.

ALLSTATE FOUNDATION

Support to improve quality of life in communities across the country. Focus areas are: catastrophe response and mitigation, school anti-violence, and revitalization of communities; tolerance, inclusion and diversity, involving teaching tolerance to youth, alleviating discrimination, and reducing hate crimes; and economic empowerment, which involves financial and insurance education, economic literacy, and entrepreneurial/small business skill development initiatives for women. Contact: Executive Director, 847-402-5502; allfound@allstate.com; <http://www.allstate.com/foundation/funding.html>. Deadline: None.

AMERICAN JEWISH WORLD SERVICE

Small grants are provided in the areas of health, education, civil society, women's empowerment, agriculture and micro-credit. Priority is given to projects run by and for women and children, threatened ethnic communities, and marginalized communities organized to advocate for their needs on the local and national levels. Deadline: None (Letter of Inquiry). Contact: 800-889-7146; juliag@ajws.org; http://www.ajws.org/afundingguidelines_pg.html.

ASSOCIATION FOR THE CURE OF CANCER OF THE PROSTATE

Funding for scientists searching for cures and controls for advanced prostate cancer. Research areas include: genomics, molecular biology, angiogenesis, signal transduction, experimental models, apoptosis, new drug discovery, nutrition, alternative therapies, and clinical medicine. Deadline: 4/30/03. Contact: Angelica Diega, 310-570-4700; adiega@capcure.org; <http://www.capcure.org/Research/2003guidelines.doc>.

BLOCKBUSTER VIDEO, INC.

The Corporate Giving Program supports projects that impact children/families, reflect a film/video focus or fulfill a specific company operating objective, such as diversity or employment. Contact: Office of Corporation Contributions, <http://www.blockbuster.com/bb/about/bbcommunityrelations/0,7701,NT-ABT,00.html?>. Deadline: None.

CAILLOUX FOUNDATION

Support is provided for projects or programs, technical assistance and capital projects in the following areas: civic and cultural, education and youth, family and community service, and health and rehabilitation. (Letter of Inquiry). Contact: 830-895-5222; info@caillouxfoundation.org; http://www.caillouxfoundation.org/grant_guidelines.htm. Deadline: None

CARNEGIE INSTITUTION OF WASHINGTON

Support for postdoctoral and graduate student support for research in the biological sciences at the Carnegie Institution. Deadline: None. Contact: 410-554-1200; support@ciwemb.edu; <http://www.ciwemb.edu>.

CITIGROUP FOUNDATION

Support for programs that contribute to the vitality of communities worldwide, with programs in financial education; education; and building communities and entrepreneurs. Contact: Charles V. Raymond, 212-559-9163; citigroupfoundation@citi.com; <http://www.citigroup.com/citigroup/corporate/foundation/prop.htm>. Deadline:

None.

COLEMAN FOUNDATION

Support for diverse educational programs; cancer research, care and treatment; and housing and education for the handicapped. Deadline: None (Letter of Inquiry). Contact: 312-902-7120; coleman@colemanfoundation.org; <http://www.colemanfoundation.org/guidelines.html>.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA)

IREEC Grants Program - National Integrated Water Quality Program—Funding for projects that target directly to identification and resolution of agriculturally-related degradation of water quality. Proposals are sought that will provide watershed-based information that can be used to: assess sources of water quality impairment in targeted watersheds; develop and/or recommend options for continued improvement of water quality in targeted watersheds; and evaluate relative costs and benefits associated with cleanup from all responsible sectors (e.g., farming, processing, urban runoff, municipal waste treatment, etc.). Deadline: 4/21/03. Contact: Michael P. O'Neill, 202-205-5952; moneill@reeusda.gov; http://www.reeusda.gov/1700/funding/rfapdf/rfaniwqp_03.pdf.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE)

Inventions and Innovation (I&I) Program—Support for energy-saving technologies in conceptual (Category 1) and developmental (Category 2) stages. The goal is to improve energy efficiency through promotion of innovative ideas and inventions that have a significant, potential energy impact and a potential, future commercial market. Deadline: 4/11/03. Contact: Margo Gorin, go_I&I@nrel.gov; <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/03mar20030800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-4865.htm>.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Broad Agency Announcement for the Basic Research Office (BRO) of the U.S. Army Research Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences SOL DASW01-04-K-0001—Research areas include, for example: Basic Research Training and Learning; Basic Research Leadership; and Human Resource Practices. See the BAA for a complete listing. Deadline: 5/1/03. Contact: Carolyn Baltimore, 703-614-6823; baltice@hqda.army.mil; www.eps.gov/spg/USA/DSS-W/DASW01/DASW01-04-K-0001/.

U.S. Army Simulation, Training and Instrumentation Command and Army Research Institute Broad Agency Announcement (BAA N61339-01-R-0023)—Research areas of particular interest include: Battlefield Simulation; Training Device and Simulator; Instrumentation, Targets and Threat Simulators; Test And Evaluation; Wargaming; Training Systems; and Additional Research Interests. A copy of the conformed BAA, including Amendment 1, with a Summary of Changes, will be available for download on or about 25 June 2002 at: www.stricom.army.mil, under STRICOM Business Opportunities, STRICOM Solicitations. Deadline: 3/01/06. Contact: Vanessa Dobson; 407-208-4348; vanessa_dobson@stricom.army.mil.

FOUNDATION FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

Minigrant Awards support innovative education-related projects which directly benefit gifted children or youth and/or children and youth with disabilities. Proposed projects must provide direct services to: children and youth with disabilities and/or gifted children or youth; parents of disabled children; or unemployed disabled youth. Deadline: 4/15/03. Contact: Minigrant Committee, 800-224-6830 x462; yesican@cec.sped.org; http://yesican.cec.sped.org/minigrants/2003_minigrant_application.pdf.

HEWLETT (WILLIAM AND FLORA) FOUNDATION

Education Grants Program—Support to promote long-term institutional development, reform, or renewal in various educational areas. Funds may be used for research, development, demonstrations, evaluations, dissemination, and public engagement. The goal is to achieve greater quality and equality of educational opportunity in the U.S. through grants to increase student achievement by 1) developing, demonstrating and disseminating approaches to systematically improve classroom instruction in urban school systems and community colleges; 2) improving access to exemplary educational content for schools, colleges and universities, and individuals throughout the world by using information technology; 3) improving the effectiveness of universal basic and secondary education (UBASE) throughout the developing world by exploring new ways of

delivering effective teacher training and student instruction, particularly using technology. Deadline: None (Letter of Intent). Contact : 650-234-4500; info@hewlett.org; http://www.hewlett.org/guidelines/education/education_top_frm.htm.

Environment Grants Program—Funding for constructive change in environmental policy. Areas of interest are the U.S. West and Energy. Deadlines: Initial contact should be Letter of Inquiry; 5/1/03, 8/1/03 (Application). Contact: 650-234-4500; info@hewlett.org; http://www.hewlett.org/guidelines/environment/environment_top_frm.htm.

U.S.-Latin American Relations—Support for programs seeking to strengthen institutions and foster cooperation among them in order to address common challenges facing the Americas. Interest areas are: environment, democratic governance, and equitable economic growth. Priority regions are Mexico, the U.S.-Mexican border region, Chile, Argentina and Brazil. Deadline: None (Letter of Inquiry). Contact: 650-329-1070; <http://www.hewlett.org/guidelines/guslar.htm>.

HUDSON RIVER FOUNDATION

Graduate Fellowships support scientific, ecological and related public policy research on issues and of concern to the Hudson River, its tributaries and drainage basin, with emphasis on the Hudson River ecosystem and fishery resources. Emphasis is on mitigating fishery impacts caused by power plants, information needed to manage fishery resources of the Hudson River, understanding factors related to the abundance and structure of fish populations, and gaining knowledge of the Hudson River ecosystem. Deadline: 4/14/03. Contact: Science Director, 212-924-8290; info@hudsonriver.org; <http://www.hudsonriver.org/cfp2003.pdf>.

J. C. DOWNING FOUNDATION

Support for innovative efforts and original projects in: education and human development; environmental research and preservation; fine arts; sports and athletics; and technology and communications. Deadline: None. Contact: Stuart A. Winkelman; director@jcdowning.org; <http://www.jcdowning.org/funding/application.htm>.

JESSIE SMITH NOYES FOUNDATION, INC.

Grants support projects related to protecting and restoring the Earth's natural systems and that promote a sustainable society. Areas of interest include toxics, sustainable agriculture, sustainable communities, and reproductive rights. Contact: Christine AuYeung; 212-684-6577; noyes@noyes.org; <http://www.noyes.org/admin/guide.html>. Dead-line: None.

KRESGE FOUNDATION

Science Initiative Program—Funding to upgrade and endow scientific instrumentation and laboratories. Deadline: None. Contact: 248-643-9630; http://www.kresge.org/programs/science_ini.htm.

MUNSON (CURTIS AND EDITH) FOUNDATION

Support for conservation of natural resources in North America and the Caribbean Basin with emphasis on the U.S. Some major program areas are: marine resource conservation and management with special interest in fisheries; population and environment initiatives with a focus on U.S. immigration issues; and business and environmental initiatives. Contact: 202-887-8992; info@munsonfdn.org; <http://www.munsonfdn.org/guide.htm>. Deadlines: 4/4/03 (Letter of Inquiry); 8/29/03 (Full Proposal).

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA)

Space Biological Sciences Advanced Human Support Technology (NRA-03-OBPR-01)—Funding for projects in the following areas: Advanced Environmental Monitoring and Control, Advanced Life Support, and Space Human Factors Engineering. Proposals are sought for ground-based research and technology development, ground-based pilot studies, rapid technology development teams, and/or space flight experiments. Contact: Charles J Barnes 202-358-2365; cbarnes@mail.hq.nasa.gov; <http://prod.nais.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/eps/bizops.cgi?gr=D&pin=04#104490> or http://research.hq.nasa.gov/code_u/nra/current/NRA-03-OBPR-01/index.html (after 3/13/03). Deadline: 6/13/03.

NATIONAL EATING DISORDERS ASSOCIATION

Small Grants Program in Prevention Science—Support for projects in the area of eating disorders prevention science. Priorities include working with investigators in the early stages of their careers; scientific merit; funding researchers without other significant support; and pilot projects which will yield preliminary data facilitating application for other grants. Deadlines: 4/1/03 (Letter of Intent); 5/1/03 (Full Proposal). Contact: Holly Hoff, 206-382-3587; hhoff@NationalEatingDisorders.org; http://www.nationaleatingdisorders.org/p.asp?WebPage_ID=556.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR FINANCIAL EDUCATION

The Fellows Program supports individuals from diverse backgrounds who share a common interest in working on projects within the Endowment's broad scope of activities and in gaining non-profit operations and management experience. Recruitment is targeted to new graduates at the master's and bachelor's levels with majors in family and consumer economics, communications, business or personal finance, applied economics, and related fields (e.g., computer information systems), but no restrictions are placed on the major field of study or degree earned. Contact: Fellows Program, 303-741-6333; <http://www.nefe.org/pages/innovativefellows.html>. Deadline: 4/15/03.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Conservation Trust Grants support activities that contribute significantly to preservation and sustainable use of the Earth's biological, cultural, and historical resources. Contact: 202-857-7439; conservationtrust@ngs.org; <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/research/grant/rg2.html>. Deadline: None.

Research Grants provide support in the following disciplines: anthropology, archaeology, astronomy, biology, botany, geography, geology, oceanography, paleontology, and zoology. Current emphasis is on multidisciplinary projects addressing environmental issues (e.g., loss of biodiversity and habitat, effects of human-population pressures). Contact: 202-857-7439; cre@ngs.org; <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/research/grant/rg1.html>. Deadline: None.

NATIONAL HEART, LUNG, AND BLOOD INSTITUTE (NHLBI)

Hypovolemic Circulatory Collapse: Mechanisms And Opportunities to Improve Resuscitation Outcomes (RFA-HL-03-015)—The NHLBI, with the Department of the Army's Medical Research and Materiel Command, provides support for innovative research approaches to identify molecular, cellular, and pathophysiologic response of the whole organism to hypovolemia and apply results of such approaches to identification of potential, new approaches to out-of-hospital resuscitation following severe hypovolemia. Deadlines: 4/23/03 (Letter of Intent); 5/23/03 (Application). Contact: David M. Balshaw, 301-435-0504; BalshawD@nhlbi.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-03-015.html>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH (NIOSH)

Stress Biomarkers with Metabolic and Vascular Consequences in Police Officers (SOL 2003-N-00764)—Funding for a baseline observational research study of police officers. The study will focus on thorough measurements of physiological stress and subclinical morbidities underlying insulin resistance and coronary syndromes as well as subclinical vascular abnormalities. The Solicitation will be available on or about March 17, 2003, at www.ehs.gov. Contact: Florence Black, 412-386-4451; fbb4@cdc.gov. Deadline: 4/18/03.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH (NIMH)

Rapid Assessment Post-Impact of Disaster (RAPID) Awards support research which requires rapid funding in order to permit access to a disaster area in the immediate aftermath of an event. Deadline: None. Contact: Farris Tuma, 301-443-5944; FTUMA@NIH.GOV; <http://www.nimh.nih.gov/grants/research/910004.htm>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

Cranberry: Urinary Tract Infection and Other Conditions (RFA-AT-03-004)—Support for basic and clinical research on the role of cranberry (*Vaccinium macrocarpon*) in prevention and treatment of urinary tract infections (UTI), other infections, and other conditions for which there is credible evidence of efficacy. Deadlines: 4/22/03 (Letter of Intent); 5/20/2003 (Application). Contact: Marguerite Klein, 301-402-5860; kleinm@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AT-03-004.html>.

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE (NLM)

Individual Biomedical Informatics Fellowships (PAR-03-070) support training of informatics scientists able to perform research into basic informatics problems or to application of informatics to any area of biomedicine, including clinical medicine, basic biomedical research, clinical and health services research, public health, professional education, and administration. Post-doctoral, pre-doctoral and, in certain specified fields, some post-baccalaureate candidates are eligible. Contact: Carol A. Bean, 301-594-4882; fax 301-402-2952; <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-03-070.html>. Deadlines: 4/5/03, 8/5/03, 12/5/03.

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (NOAA)

National Undersea Research Program (NURP)—Support for a comprehensive underwater research program that places scientists underwater, directly or indirectly. Deadline: None. Contact: Barbara Moore, 301-713-2427 x127; Barbara.Moore@noaa.gov; <http://www.nurp.noaa.gov/admin/sciguid.pdf>.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

Aeronomy—Support for research on upper and middle atmosphere phenomena of ionization, recombination, chemical reaction, photoemission, and transport; transport of energy, momentum, and mass in the meso-sphere-thermosphere-ionosphere system, including processes involved and coupling of this global system to the stratosphere below and magnetosphere above; and plasma physics of phenomena manifested in the coupled ionosphere-magnetosphere system, including effects of high-power radio wave modification. Contact: Sunanda Basu, 703-292-8529; sbasu@nsf.gov; <http://www.geo.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/showprog.pl?id=8&div=atm>. Deadline: None.

Articulation Partnerships—Support for partnerships between 2-year and 4-year colleges and universities to expand: teacher preparation in 2-year colleges, and articulation between Associate's Degree and Bachelor's Degree programs, with emphasis on articulation between 2- and 4-year programs for prospective teachers and between 2- and 4-year programs in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (with a focus on disciplines that have a strong technological foundation). Deadlines: 4/23/03 (Preliminary Proposal); 10/15/03 (Full Proposal). Contact: Elizabeth J. Teles, 703-292-4643; ejteles@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03523/nsf03523.htm>.

Proposals are sought for 3 types of ATE Centers: National Centers for Excellence, Regional Centers for Manufacturing or Information Technology Education; and Resource Centers. The program utilizes comprehensive national or regional resources to provide models and leadership for other projects and act as a clearinghouse for educational materials and methods. It includes cooperative efforts involving 2- and 4-year colleges and universities, secondary schools, business, industry, and government. Deadlines and Contact: See Above.

ATE Projects—Proposals may aim to affect either specialized technology courses or core science, mathematics, and technology courses that serve as prerequisites or co-requisites for specialized technology courses. The focus is on: Program Improvement; Professional Development for Educators; Curriculum and Educational Materials Development; Technical Experiences; Laboratory Development; and Research. Multifaceted projects that cut across activity categories are encouraged. Deadlines and Contact: See Above.

Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants-Societal Dimensions of Engineering, Science, and Technology (SDEST)—The Ethics and Values Studies (EVS) component supports examinations of ethical and value dimensions in those interactions. The Research on Knowledge, Science and Technology (RST) component supports research on social and strategic choices that influence knowledge production and innovation and their effects. Deadline: None. Contact: Rachelle D. Hollander, 703-292-5111; rholland@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov>.

Partnership for Advancing Technologies in Housing (PATH)—Support for projects designed to improve affordability and value of today's new and existing homes. Proposals are sought in the following areas: information technology to accelerate and streamline home building; advanced panel systems; and "Whole house" and building process redesign. Deadline: 4/21/03. Contact: Perumalsamy Balaguru, 703-292-7020; pbalagur@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03527/nsf03527.htm>.

VOLKSWAGENSTIFTUNG FOUNDATION

Dynamics and Adaptivity of Neuronal Systems - Integrative Approaches to Analyzing Cognitive Functions—
Support for projects taking an interdisciplinary approach towards addressing the significance of dynamic
adaptivity of neuronal systems to cognitive processes and functions. Contact: Cornelius Schmaltz, Telephone:
00 49 511 8381 376; schmaltz@volkswagenstiftung.de; <http://www.volkswagen-stiftung.de>;
http://www.volkswagen-stiftung.de/foerderung/foerderinitiativen/merkblaetter/merkdyna_e.htm. Deadline:
10/1/03 (Preliminary Proposal).

W. K. KELLOGG FOUNDATION

Support for projects to help people help themselves through practical application of knowledge and resources to
improve their quality of life and that of future generations. Priorities are: Engaged Youth; Healthy, Just, and
Sustainable Communities; Connected Communities and Institutions; and Civic Participation. Program areas are:
Health; Food Systems and Rural Development; Philanthropy and Volunteerism; and Youth and Education. Dead-
line: None. Contact: Manager, 616-968-1611; <http://www.wkkf.org/Grants/Application.asp>.

– William Gosnold, Interim Director, Office of Research and Program Development.